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Industrial goods packaging

## **duisport group invests in the inventor of an innovative packaging solution**

- **duisport packaging solutions intends to gradually take over Crocodile Packaging Ltd.**
- **Clip boxes as an efficient and sustainable solution for industrial goods packaging**
- **Important step for the further development of the Industrial goods packaging division**

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The duisport group is expanding its portfolio in the field of industrial goods packaging and acquiring the inventor of an innovative packaging solution: duisport packaging solutions Süd GmbH & Co. KG (dps) plans to gradually take over the British company Crocodile Packaging Ltd (Crocodile) with all of its employees.

More than twenty years ago, Crocodile developed the clip crate, an innovative and environmentally friendly solution for packaging industrial goods, which is still used by dps today. This is a standardised type of crate that can be assembled and disassembled quickly and safely using spring steel clips. This increases the speed of assembly, reduces noise pollution and minimises the risk of injury. By using the crates as reusable packaging in recycling and pooling systems, the packaging materials can be used sustainably. The greatly reduced shipping volume of the dismantled crates back to the shipping location and the possibility of reuse also significantly reduces CO2 emissions.

### **Clip boxes are particularly efficient and reusable**

Christian Staudner, Head of Industrial Logistics at the duisport group: "The gradual takeover of our partner Crocodile, with whom we have been working together in a spirit of trust for many years, is an important building block in the further development of the packaging solutions division. Entering the UK market opens up numerous opportunities to expand our existing customer business in North Rhine-Westphalia and Germany. In addition, we are not only gaining valuable knowledge and experience in the areas of design and sales, but can also open up completely new market potential in the future."

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Duisburger Hafen AG is the owner and management company of the Port of Duisburg, the world's largest inland port. The duisport Group offers full-service packages for the port and logistics location in the areas of infrastructure and superstructure, including settlement management. In addition, the subsidiaries provide logistics services such as the development and optimisation of transport and logistics chains, rail freight services, facility management, contract, packaging and industrial logistics..



Quentin Philip, Managing Director of Crocodile: "We are delighted to be working with duisport and look forward to developing our already excellent relationship. Our partnership will enable Crocodile to offer a variety of new benefits to our existing customers as we work with duisport in Europe. Equally, we look forward to supporting duisport in serving its existing customers who have facilities in the UK. Together we have a great opportunity to improve packaging across Europe with our unique packaging solutions in a truly sustainable way."

The Industrial Logistics division of the duisport Group is divided into the 'industrial solutions' (packaging and plant logistics) and 'packaging solutions' (production of packaging systems) divisions. The 'packaging solutions' division specialises in the production of highly innovative and, in particular, reusable packaging systems. Customers come from the energy technology and pump and plant engineering sectors, among others, who receive packaging systems manufactured with millimetre precision for their high-quality products, including CNC-milled interior fittings and foam inlays.

The acquisition of the shares in Crocodile Packaging Ltd. was accompanied by the auditing firm PKF Francis Clark UK and the law firm Dentons UK.

About Crocodile:

Crocodile Packaging Limited ([www.crocodile.uk.com](http://www.crocodile.uk.com)) was founded in 1991 by Quentin Philip and manufactures innovative packaging systems (including the clip boxes mentioned above). The company is based in Swindon, Great Britain. Crocodile currently employs 52 people.

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